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FOR: METHODS OF BIOSENSING USING FLUORESCENT POLYMERS  
AND QUENCHER-TETHER-LIGAND BIOCONJUGATES

**AMENDMENT**

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SIR:

Responsive to the outstanding Office Action dated January 26, 2006, entry and favorable consideration of the following amendments is respectfully requested.